REMARKS

A request for a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action of March 1, 2001, along with a check for the required fee accompanies this response.

Applicants have cancelled all previously pending claims, thus mooting the restriction requirement of the Office Action of March 1, 2001.

The newly added claims 37-40 are process claims analogous to the apparatus claim of Applicants' newly issued U.S. Patent No. 6,233,010 (Application Serial No. 09/253,831) and are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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